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SUBJECT: SHUTTLE-SALYUT DRAFT AGREEMENT: US-USSR SPACE AGREEMENT
(04.00)

REFS: (A) STATE 83595, (B) MOSCOW 4941

1. SCICOUNS APRIL 14, PROVIDED VERESHCHETIN WITH FRUTKIN LETTER
PER REFTEL A. VERESHCHETIN'S COMMENTS WERE:

(A) TITLE OF AGREEMENT PROPOSED BY NASA, PARTICULARLY THE PHRASE,
"MANNED SCIENCE AND APPLICATION PROJECTS," PRACTICALLY NOT
TRANSLATABLE INTO RUSSIAN. INTERKOSMOS PREFERES TO TAKE THE OPTION
OFFERED BY NASA AND RETAIN THE TITLE THE SOVIETS HAVE SUGGESTED.

(B) INTERKOSMOS HAS NO PROBLEM WITH THE NASA SUGGESTION ON ORDER
OF WORKING GROUP SESSIONS AND REVISED PARAGRAPH FOR PROPOSALS OF
PAYLOADS.

2. VERESHCHETIN STATED HE WOULD NEED TO CONSULT WITH PETROV AND
ALEKSANDROV AON ABOVE, BUT THIS APPEARS ONLY PRO FORMA.
VERESHCHETIN STATED HE WAS NOT SURE WHETHER ALEKSANDROV OR PETROV
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WOULD SIGN FOR SOVIET SIDE. IN ANY CASE, DR LOVELACE WOULD
BE AN APPROPRIATE SIGNER FOR THE U.S. SIDE.

3. VERESHCHETIN SAID HE SHOULD HAVE TWO COPIES OF THE
RUSSIAN LANGUAGE TEXT READY EARLY NEXT WEEK FOR TRANSMITTAL TO NASA
THROUGH THE EMBASSY. HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE WORKING
GROUPS COULD BEGIN CONSULTATIONS IN MOSCOW VERY SHORTLY AFTER THE

FORMALITIES HAVE BEEN SETTLED. HOWEVER, IT DID NOT APPEAR THAT WORKING GROUP MEETINGS IN APRIL ARE NOW A POSSIBILITY; MAY NOW SEEMS A BETTER TARGET MONTH.

4. COMMENT: FOR ASSISTANCE IN DISCUSSIONS WITH INTERKOSMOS ON RENEWAL OF THE SPACE BILATERAL, WHICH HAD BEEN AGREED TO DURING THE VANCE VISIT, WE WOULD APPRECIATE APPROPRIATE GUIDANCE FROM NASA AND THE DEPARTMENT. AS WE UNDERSTAND IT, THE TEXT OF THE SPACE BILATERAL WOULD REMAIN ESSENTIALLY UNCHANGED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF:

(1) ARTICLE I WHICH WOULD REQUIRE MENTION OF THE RENEWAL OF THE NASA-ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AGREEMENT. BASED ON INTERKOSMOS'S RESPONSE TO THE LOVELACE LETTER (REPORTED REFTELB) IT APPEARS LIKELY THAT NEGOTIATIONS ON RESTRUCTURING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE JWGS MAY PROCEED BEYOND MAY 24. HOWEVER BOTH SIDES HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR WILLINGNESS TO RENEW THIS AGREEMENT. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE TEXT OF THE SPACE BILATERAL, CAN WE ASSUME THAT RENEWAL OF THE NASA-ACADEMY AGREEMENT HAS ALREADY BEEN ACCOMPLISHED?

(2) ARTICLE III REFERENCE TO APOLLO-SOYUZ WOULD BE REPLACED BY REFERENCE TO SHUTTLE-SALYUT STUDIES FOR WHICH WE ASSUME A FULLY AGREED TEXT WILL BE COMPLETED IN ADVANCE OF MAY 24. END COMMENT.
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